



# CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**AGENDA TITLE:** Rejection of Nonresponsive Bids and Contract Award for White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility Emergency Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement (\$142,430)

**MEETING DATE:** November 6, 1996

**PREPARED BY:** Public Works Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the City Council adopt the attached resolution rejecting the bids from Central Sierra Electric, Collins Electric and B&H Electric as being nonresponsive and awarding the contract for the above project to Con J. Franke Electric, of Stockton, in the amount of \$142,424 and appropriate funds in accordance with the recommendation shown below.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** This project will replace the existing twenty-year-old emergency automatic transfer switch. The transfer switch was severely damaged five years ago when worn contacts shorted out. Since then, routine maintenance shows further deterioration is occurring.

When the unit was last repaired, it was discovered that parts were unavailable and had to be manufactured. This becomes prohibitively expensive with further age and as more parts are needed. Additionally, manufacturing parts results in severe time delays during which the facility would have to function without an alternate power source as mandated by our discharge permit.

Plans and specifications for this project were approved on July 3, 1996. The Notice Inviting Bids indicated that bids would be received until 11 a.m., July 24, 1996. No bids were submitted to the City by the 11 a.m. deadline.

Our consultant, Geib Engineering, contacted various contractors to find out why they did not bid the project. He then revised the specifications to give the contractor more options for providing a secondary power source for the treatment plant during construction and we rebid the project. Bids were opened on September 25, 1996 and the City received five bids.

Geib Engineering reviewed the transfer switches each of the bidders planned to use on this project. The recommendation from Geib Engineering is that the bids from Central Sierra Electric, Collins Electric and B&H Electric be rejected as being nonresponsive bids and that the contract be awarded to Con J. Franke Electric. Central Sierra Electric, Collins Electric and B&H Electric all informed Geib Engineering that their quote was based on a proposal from Zenith that took exception to several items in our transfer switch specifications. This Zenith transfer switch will not allow the City to work on the switch without shutting down the entire treatment plant. Con J. Franke plans on using a Cutler-Hammer transfer switch which includes the capability of isolating and bypassing the unit so that maintenance can be done on it without losing power to the treatment plant. Zenith also makes a transfer switch that allows the switch to be isolated and bypassed but this feature was not included in Zenith's proposal to the bidders. Zenith's quote would have been substantially higher had the isolation feature been added.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

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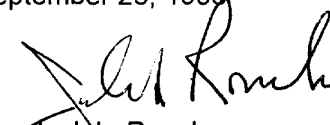
Staff is now recommending that Council follow the advice of Geib Engineering and reject the bids from Central Sierra Electric, Collins Electric and B&H Electric as being nonresponsive and award the contract to Con J. Franke Electric in the amount of \$142,424.

The following five bids for this project were submitted to the City:

Bidder	Location	Bid
Engineer's Estimate		\$ 142,267
Central Sierra Electric*	Jackson	\$ 78,900
Collins Electric*	Stockton	\$ 108,999
B&H Electric*	Lodi	\$ 112,000
Con J. Franke Electric	Stockton	\$ 142,424
Sam's Electric	North Highlands	\$ 150,977

\*Nonresponsive bid due to submittal of material which does not meet specifications.

FUNDING:	Requested Appropriation:	Sewer Reserve Fund	\$160,000
	Project Estimate:	\$160,000	
	Bid Opening Date:	September 25, 1996	

  
Jack L. Ronsko  
Public Works Director

Prepared by Wesley K. Fujitani, Senior Civil Engineer

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Attachment

cc: City Attorney  
Purchasing Officer  
Water/Wastewater Superintendent

RESOLUTION NO. 96-157

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL  
REJECTING NON-RESPONSIVE BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACT  
FOR WHITE SLOUGH WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY EMERGENCY  
AUTOMATIC TRANSFER SWITCH REPLACEMENT  
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WHEREAS, in answer to notice duly published in accordance with law and the order of this City Council, sealed bids were received and publicly opened on September 25, 1996 at 11:00 a.m. for White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility Emergency Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement, described in the specifications therefor approved by the City Council in July 3, 1996; and

WHEREAS, said bids have been compared, checked, and tabulated and a report thereof filed with the City Manager as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
<b>Engineer's Estimate</b>	<b>\$ 142,267</b>
Central Sierra Electric* Jackson	\$ 78,900
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Sam's Electric North Highlands	\$ 150,977

\* Non-responsive bids - equipment not as specified.

WHEREAS, bids were to be received on July 24, 1996 and no bids were submitted; and

WHEREAS, the City's consultant, Geib Engineering, contacted various contractors to find out why bids were not submitted for this project; and

WHEREAS, Geib Engineering then revised the specifications to allow more options for providing a secondary power source for the treatment plant during construction, and the project was then rebid; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on September 25, 1996 and five bids were received; and

WHEREAS, Geib Engineering then reviewed the transfer switches each of the bidders planned to use for this project and found that bids from Central Sierra Electric, Collins Electric and B&H Electric bids were based on a proposal from Zenith which took exception to several items in the City's transfer switch specifications; and

WHEREAS, the Zenith transfer switch would not allow the City to work on the switch without shutting down the entire treatment plant; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of Geib Engineering that the bids from Central Sierra Electric, Collins Electric and B&H Electric be rejected as being nonresponsive bids, and that the project be awarded to Con J. Franke Electric in the amount of \$142,424.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lodi City Council that the non-responsive bids from Central Sierra Electric, Collins Electric and B&H Electric are hereby rejected and the award of the contract for White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility Emergency Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement, be and the same is hereby awarded to Con J. Franke Electric in the amount of \$142,424.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that \$160,000.00 be appropriated from the Sewer Reserve Fund to cover this project.

Dated: November 6, 1996

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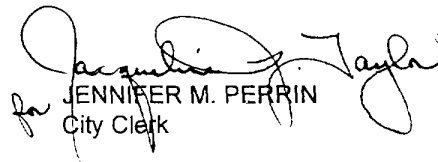
I hereby certify that Resolution No. 96-157 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held November 6, 1996 by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members - Davenport, Mann, Pennino, Sieglock  
and Warner (Mayor)

NOES: Council Members - None

ABSENT: Council Members - None

ABSTAIN: Council Members - None

  
JENNIFER M. PERRIN  
City Clerk

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RANDALL A. HAYS  
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November 1, 1996

SEE MAILING LIST ATTACHED

SUBJECT: Rejection of Nonresponsive Bids and Contract Award for White Slough Water  
Pollution Control Facility Emergency Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement

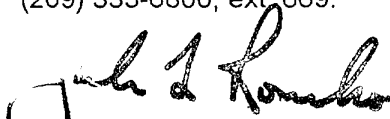
Enclosed is a copy of background information on an item on the City Council  
agenda of Wednesday, November 6, 1996, at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held in the  
City Council Chamber, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

This item is on the consent calendar and is usually not discussed unless a  
Council Member requests discussion. The public is given an opportunity to address  
items on the consent calendar at the appropriate time.

If you wish to write to the City Council, please address your letter to City Council,  
City of Lodi, P. O. Box 3006, Lodi, California, 95241-1910. Be sure to allow time for  
the mail. Or, you may hand-deliver the letter to the City Clerk at 221 West Pine Street.

If you wish to address the Council at the Council meeting, be sure to fill out a speaker's  
card (available at the Carnegie Forum immediately prior to the start of the meeting) and  
give it to the City Clerk. If you have any questions about communicating with the  
Council, please contact Jennifer Perrin, City Clerk, at (209) 333-6702.

If you have any questions about the item itself, please call Wes Fujitani at  
(209) 333-6800, ext 669.



Jack L. Ronsko  
Public Works Director

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Enclosure

cc: City Clerk

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P O BOX 698  
JACKSON CA 95642

COLLINS ELECTRICAL COMPANY INC  
P O BOX 1609  
STOCKTON CA 95201

B & H ELECTRIC INC  
P O BOX 1043  
LODI CA 95241

CON J FRANKE ELECTRIC INC  
317 N GRANT ST  
STOCKTON CA 95202

SAM'S ELECTRIC  
6416 GRAYLOCK LN  
NORTH HIGHLANDS CA 95660